Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council Notice of Regular Meeting and Agenda Thursday, November 6, 2014 Highland Park Senior Center 6152 N. Figueroa St. Los Angeles, CA 90042 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. *** Earlier Time

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6:30 – 7:30 Presentation: Overview of housing rights, L.A. Housing & Community Investment Department, Michael Gregerson.

AGENDA
A. Call to Order
B. Roll Call
C. Elected Officials (Mayor’s office, CD1, CD14, AD51, SD 22)
D. President’s Report
E. LAPD Report
F. Board Announcements
G. Committee Reports: (Budget, Land Use, Outreach, Rules, Public Safety, Beautification, Youth School Alliance)
H. Public Comments (Limited to 10 minutes, maximum 2 minutes per speaker)

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. Motion to Approve Agenda
2. Motion to Approve Minutes of October 2, 2014.
4. (5 mins) [PREVIOUSLY TABLED] Motion to add the following guideline to the Council’s policies and procedures: Whenever sourcing purchases over $100, that HHPNC should look to buy within Highland Park, within Los Angeles, within California and within the United States in that order, and to take into account not only cost and shipping but also the issues of global warming, jobs, fair trade, and other more ephemeral metrics. – L. Amsden.
5. (5 mins) [PREVIOUSLY TABLED] Motion to recommend to DONE, LANCC, and the City of Los Angeles that they develop buy local policies including databases and networking between purchasers that will help all communities in this City. Recommendation in the form of a letter. – L. Amsden.
6. (5 mins) Motion to partner with CD 14 on the 2nd Annual Highland Park Tree lighting event, December 12 at 6:30pm at the Senior Center and approve funds of no more than $200 for activities and supplies. - M. Alcaraz.
7. (5 mins) Motion to support the Highland Park Rec Center with the traditional HHPNC Santa pictures and Santa letter writing tables for event to be held December 13, 2014. Funds requested of no more than $400. – M. Alcaraz.
8. (3 mins) Motion to allocate no more than $75 to purchase a new website template. – D. Silva.
9. (5 mins) Motion to allocate no more than $800 to purchase a 12-month advertising space on The Boulevard Sentinel. – D. Silva.
10. (2 mins) Motion to allocate no more than $25 to dry clean the HHPNC table cover. – D. Silva.
11. (5 mins) Motion to fund a Neighborhood Purposes Grant (NPG) requested by the Highland Park Kiwanis Foundation in the amount of $500 for the 8th Annual Peace in the Northeast Walk to be held April 18, 2015. – S. Moore.
12. (5 mins) Motion to fund an NPG requested by the Highland Park Heritage Trust in the amount of $1000 for the preservation and digitization of Northeast Los Angeles Community Newspapers. – J. Potter.
13. (5 mins) Motion to fund an NPG requested by the Lummis Day Community Foundation in the amount of $1500 in support of the Lummis Day 10th Anniversary Festival to be held Sunday, June 7, 2015. – J. Potter.
14. (3 mins) Motion to approve the renewal of services provided by InMotion Hosting at a cost of $132.86 for products described as: Launch Plan ($107.88), Domain Registration ($14.99) and Domain Privacy ($9.99). – J. Potter.
15. (3 mins) Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for September 2014 as required by DONE. – J. Potter.
16. (3 mins) Motion to approve the Monthly Expenditure Report for October 2014 as required by DONE. – J. Potter.
17. (5 mins) Motion to approve HHPNC co-sponsoring workshops on tenant and landlord rights, financial literacy, and home ownership. No funds requested at this time. -F. Villa.
18. (5 mins) Motion to create a standing digital and social media committee. -S. Branter.
19. (3 mins) Motion to support and participate in the 2015 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count. - M. Alcaraz.
20. (5 min) Update on current work of the Budget Advocates. –L. Amsden.
21. (5 min) Motion to have a full board meeting dedicated solely to land use issues on the third Thursday of every month. - F. Villa.
22. (10 min) Motion to submit letter of approval. Event banquet facility known as Fig House at 6441 N. Figueroa St- is seeking a zoning variance to allow a banquet facility within the existing commercial zoning (seeking change of the type of commercial use and allow for CUB to serve a full line of alcohol). Applicant has done additional outreach to community to address concerns from the September HHPNC Board meeting and is once again requesting approval for its zoning variance. - H. Slater.
23. (5 mins) Motion to send letter of resolution opposing the use of LAPD surveillance drones. – L. Amsden.
24. (5 mins) Motion to approve submission of a letter to the judge presiding over the Transit Village vs. Friends of Highland Park lawsuit regarding the need for an Environmental Impact Study. – H. Slater.
25. (5 mins) Motion to approve submission of an updated letter to LA City Council, MTA, and Cal Trans in opposition to Interstate 710 alternatives that would construct any kind of freeway, both surface or tunnel, and to support the alternatives that do not include the construction of a freeway, such as expanded light rail or no build. –H. Slater.
26. (5 mins) Motion to purchase blank name business cards with the HHPNC logo for use by committee members. Funds requested of up to no more than $100. – H. Slater.
27. (5 mins) Motion to approve a resolution requesting the City to explore ways to increase voter turn-out across all demographics including evaluating alternate approaches to providing information to the electorate and incentivizing broad participation in future elections. –L. Amsden.
28. (5 mins) Motion to submit a letter requesting the City to implement the Reserve Animal Control Officers (RACO) program that was initiated in 2010. – L. Amsden.
29. (3 mins) Motion to change January 1, 2015 general board meeting to Thursday, January 15, 2015. – J. Sanchez.
30. (5 mins) Motion to approve a partnership between HHPNC, Figueroa BID, CD1, and other local non-profits on a neighborhood signage project on Figueroa Blvd near Ave. 57 as recommended by the Beautification Committee.
31. New Business
32. Adjournment